

King's killer blames FBI



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PRISON INTERVIEW: James Earl Ray, right, with TV talk show host Morton Downey Jr., tells Downey viewers next Monday that the FBI framed him in the assassination of Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. to cover its own plot to kill the civil rights leader. Ray, 60, says he wants the government to reopen his case. Ray, serving 99 years for King's killing, tells Downey he isn't hopeful about a January parole hearing. AP